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TOTAL POTATO STOCKS ON FEBRUARY 1, 1971

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Storage stocks of potatoes held by growers and local dealers in fall producing areas of the country totaled 120.1 million hundredweight on February 1, 1971, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was 8 percent more than the 111.2 million cwt. on hand February 1, 1970. These stocks consist of fall potatoes held for all uses on February 1.

Stocks in the eight eastern fall States totaled 31.2 million cwt. on February 1, 1971, and compare with 30.1 million in 1970. Maine holdings were 23.5 million compared with 22.5 million on hand a year earlier. February 1 stocks this year were less than a year earlier for Long Island, but higher than a year ago in Upstate New York and Pennsylvania.

Holdings in the eight central fall States, at 22.9 million cwt. this February 1, were 6 percent more than the stocks of 21.7 million a year earlier. Increased stocks in North Dakota, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, South Dakota and Nebraska more than offset smaller holdings in Indiana and Minnesota.

In the eight western fall States, stocks at 66.1 million cwt. were 11 percent above the 59.4 million on February 1 last year. Holdings in Idaho of 39.0 million cwt. were 10 percent more than the 35.5 million cwt. of a year ago. Washington stocks of 12.5 million were up from 10.3 million cwt. on February 1, 1970. Stocks in Oregon and Colorado also were larger than a year ago. California, Montana, Wyoming and Utah each had fewer potatoes on hand than a year earlier.

Disappearance of 1970 fall crop potatoes from storage during January 1971 at a record high rate of 28.1 million cwt., was 5 percent more than the January 1970 disappearance of 26.8 million. Disappearance from time of harvest to February 1, 1971, also was a record at 131.6 million cwt., and compares with a disappearance of 127.3 million from the 1969 crop during the comparable period. Movement of 1970 fall crop potatoes to chippers and fresh market outlets during January and movement for the season to February 1, as indicated by rail and truck unloads, were below a year earlier. The quantities of potatoes processed for other food products (excluding starch and flour) during January as well as for the season total to February 1 were both larger than a year earlier. Quantities used by flour and starch factories during January, and for the season to February 1, were less than a year earlier.

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Fall Potatoes: Production and total stocks, 1959-70

Year	Production	Total Stocks			
		December 1	January 1 following year	February 1 following year	March 1 following year
	1,000 cwt.				
1959	167,435	118,560	98,640	77,500	58,175
1960	175,071	122,740	103,595	82,670	62,645
1961	204,235	145,020	122,215	96,120	72,960
1962 1/	194,875	135,745	115,770	91,970	70,250
1963	198,195	136,995	115,000	89,300	67,280
1964	174,491	114,550	94,205	73,120	54,535
1965	216,809	147,070	123,460	98,260	74,605
1966	227,787	152,640	127,380	103,040	79,517
1967	231,224	161,710	139,350	112,770	86,465
1968	220,786	152,800	130,430	104,915	81,900
1969 2/	238,475	162,505	137,965	111,165	87,350
1970	251,765	173,060	148,260	120,130	

1/ Seasonal groupings effective with 1962: All Idaho and Oregon classified as fall. In Colorado, all areas outside of San Luis Valley classified as late summer and the San Luis Valley as fall. 2/ Revised August 1970 Pot 6 (70).

Estimates of Total Resident Population, 50 States, July 1, 1964-71

Area	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
	Millions							
Eastern	75.3	76.4	77.0	77.6	78.5	79.2	1/	1/
Central	84.6	85.4	86.4	87.3	87.9	88.7	1/	1/
Western	31.5	32.0	32.5	33.0	33.5	34.0	1/	1/
Total	191.4	193.8	195.9	197.9	199.9	201.9	204.3	206.6

1/ Not available.

Source: Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.
July 1, 1971 projection by Economic Research Service, USDA

Fall Potatoes: Production and total stocks held by growers and local dealers 1/

State	Crop of 1969		Crop of 1970	
	Production	Total stocks Feb. 1, 1970	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 1971
	1,000 cwt.			
Maine	35,100	22,500	35,700	23,500
New Hampshire	176	60	184	70
Vermont	254	110	240	110
Massachusetts	950	220	1,046	260
Rhode Island	1,326	60	1,323	50
Connecticut	1,215	320	1,127	270
New York - L. I.	6,812	1,800	6,291	1,500
- Upstate	8,342	2,350	8,568	2,600
Pennsylvania	7,810	2,650	8,280	2,800
8 Eastern	61,985	30,070	62,759	31,160
Ohio	1,925	180	2,516	470
Indiana	1,396	125	1,653	110
Michigan	6,744	2,300	7,566	3,000
Wisconsin	9,000	3,300	9,125	3,400
Minnesota	13,500	7,000	11,440	6,400
North Dakota	16,159	8,000	17,400	8,600
South Dakota	561	140	713	230
Nebraska	1,908	650	1,750	700
8 Central	51,193	21,695	52,163	22,910
Montana	1,388	1,160	1,388	1,070
Idaho	69,870	35,500	73,195	39,000
Wyoming	578	170	612	140
Colorado	8,695	3,750	9,990	4,350
Utah	1,332	470	1,088	450
Washington	21,930	10,300	25,010	12,500
Oregon	13,412	4,450	16,056	5,150
California	8,092	3,600	9,504	3,400
8 Western	125,297	59,400	136,843	66,060
Total 24 Fall States	238,475	111,165	251,765	120,130

1/ Total stocks consist of production less total disappearance to date.

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